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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner : Sandra L. Wegert
Group : 1647
Applicants : Luis Angel Pardo-Fernandez et al.
Application No. : 09/694,777
Filed : October 23, 2000
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For : NOVEL HUMAN K⁺ ION CHANNEL AND
THERAPEUTIC APPLICATIONS THEREOF

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to file a response to a July 16, 2002 Final Office Action. With the extension, this Response must be filed on or before January 16, 2003. The fee for a three-month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) is \$465. Applicants have previously paid \$55.00 for a one-month extension of time. Accordingly, applicants enclose a check in the amount of \$410.00, in payment of the additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3).

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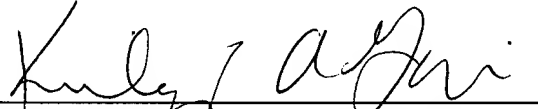
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The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due,
or to credit overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of
this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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